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United States Environmental Protection Agency
290 Broadway, 19th floor
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Re: Request for Extension - RI Work Plan
Gibbsboro, New Jersey
Administrative Order on Consent for
Index No. II CERCLA-02-99-2035

Dear Mr. Keveney:

Thank you for taking the time on August 9 to discuss with Sherwin-Williams and Roy F. Weston, Inc. our questions regarding the RI/FS work plan documents for the Gibbsboro site. As discussed, we are requesting an extension for submission of our revised RI Work Plan for the above referenced site from September 3, 2001 to September 28, 2001.

As discussed, Sherwin-Williams has made many of the modifications to the Work Plan that EPA has requested and we are currently performing geostatistical processing of existing laboratory data. The resulting analysis will be utilized to better design the Remedial Investigation. Because of the need to conduct statistical analysis of the data on an analyte-by-analyte basis, additional time is required to complete the analysis and finalize the work plan. Also, as we obtain additional guidance and clarification from EPA on questions regarding the work plan documents, it is becoming evident that the originally proposed time frame is not adequate for the purpose of preparing an agreeable document. Therefore, we request that the submittal date be extended to 28 September 2001.

We will forward a letter shortly that explains how we will incorporate the results of the geostatistical analysis into the overall RI approach and Work Plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact Ted Toskos at (732) 417-5800 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


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Senior Environmental Project Manager

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